

# COVID-19 Update (May 26, 2020, 12:30 p.m.)

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This is a summary of the City of Santa Clara's latest response efforts along with impacts to local events and City programs/services due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.

# **Current Developments**

- On Monday, May 25, Governor Gavin Newsom announced counties could begin reopening houses of worship and in-store shopping for retail, except for stricter areas like Bay Area counties.
  - Some communities like Santa Clara County may move through Stage 2 slower than others.
  - Our county is in early Stage 2, where retail, related logistics and manufacturing, office workplaces, limited personal services, outdoor museums, child care and essential businesses can open with modifications (such as curbside pickup only for retail).
  - Santa Clara County's revised <u>Shelter-in-Place order</u>, which went into effect on Friday, May 22, is stricter which is the one but must be followed here.
  - For more details about California's resilience roadmap, visit COVID19.CA.gov.
- The County of Santa Clara is expanding access to COVID-19 testing by launching or expanding six new test locations Monday, May 25.
  - County officials said with the addition of these six sites, there are now at least 46 sites throughout Santa Clara County offering COVID-19 viral detection testing.
  - Additional pop-up testing for this week will include:
    - Wednesday, May 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

- Rengstorff Park Pool Area, 201 S Rengstorff Ave., Mountain View, CA 94040
- Friday, May 29, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
  - La Placita Tropicana Shopping Center parking lot, 1630 Story Road, San Jose, CA 95122
- Pop-up sites offer walk-up testing, available without an appointment. Neither insurance nor a doctor's note are required.
- Due to the hot weather, water will also be available at these sites.
- The County Health System is now offering drive-thru testing available to the public at four locations in Milpitas, Morgan Hill, and San Jose:
  - 1325 East Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas, CA 95035 (location subject to change)
  - 18550 De Paul Dr., Morgan Hill, CA 95037
  - 777 E. Santa Clara St., San Jose, CA 95112
  - 1993 McKee Road, San Jose, CA 95116
  - Appointments are required for this drive-thru testing and can be made online through a link at <u>sccfreetest.org</u> or by calling 888-334-1000.
- The County encourages essential workers with regular interaction with the public to get tested now and once every month going forward. This includes grocery store clerks, food delivery workers, retail associates, first responders and many other types of workers.
- o For more details, view the County's news release.
- Additional funding is now available to qualified individuals through the COVID-19 Financial Assistance Program administered by Sacred Heart Community Service and Destination: Home.
  - Because there is a limited amount of funding available, this round of assistance will focus on serving those in our community who are most in need of assistance.
  - To qualify for assistance, residents must meet all 5 criteria outlined below:
    - 1. Be a resident of Santa Clara County.
    - 2. Have household income less than 30% of the Area's Median Income prior to the COVID-19 crisis.
    - 3. Can demonstrate a loss of income related to the COVID-19 crisis.
    - 4. Are ineligible for unemployment benefits or recent federal stimulus payments.
    - 5. Did not already receive assistance from their COVID-19 relief fund.
  - Eligible households will receive \$1,000 for every individual who meets the eligibility criteria up to \$2,000 per household.
  - More information and the application are available online.

# **Latest Changes for Upcoming Events**

- The City's Health and Wellness Fair will still go on this Friday, May 29 but not in person.
  - o Instead, the public can attend the fair, geared for seniors age 60 and up, online by visiting <a href="https://www.santaclaraca.gov/healthandwellness">www.santaclaraca.gov/healthandwellness</a>.

## Meetings

The City Council will hold its next meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2020. The Council will first go into closed session with the regular session following immediately after. View agenda.

- Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City of Santa Clara has implemented methods for the public to participate remotely:
  - o Via Zoom:
    - Meeting ID: 997-0675-9306
    - Joining via computer, visit <a href="https://zoom.us/join">https://zoom.us/join</a>
      - To address the Council on an agenda item, click "raise hand."
    - Joining via phone: 1-669-900-6833
      - To address the Council on an agenda item, hit \*9 on the phone.
  - Via the City's eComment (available during the meeting)
  - Via email to PublicComment@santaclaraca.gov
- For individuals who do not have the above access, the City Cafeteria has been set up to accommodate up to 10 people at a time and public comment will be given from that location.
- With the heightened "Stay at Home" order by the State and the continued order by the County, the Mayor will be present for the meeting with Councilmembers and department heads participating remotely. A limited number of staff will also be present. The meeting set-up is in line with the recommendations of the COVID-19 White House Task Force, which notes no more than 10 people gatherings.
- As usual, the public can view the meetings on <u>SantaClaraCA.gov</u>, Santa Clara City Television (Comcast cable channel 15 or AT&T U-verse channel 99), or the livestream on the City's <u>YouTube channel</u> or <u>Facebook page</u>.

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